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Bravo Farms recalls cheese for possible E. coli contamination

(JUNEAU, AK) – Bravo Farms, Traver, CA, is recalling all its varieties of cheese because of possible contamination with E. coli.

The recall affects all Bravo Farms Gouda, Pepper Jack, Tulare Cannonball, and several different styles and flavors of Cheddar cheese.

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation has confirmed that the recalled products have been distributed in Alaska.

E. coli O157:H7 is a bacterium that can cause serious food borne illness. Symptoms of infection may include severe and often bloody diarrhea, abdominal pain and vomiting. Often little or no fever is present. Most healthy adults recover within a week. Young children and the elderly are at higher risk for developing Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome as a result of the infection. It can lead to serious kidney damage and death.

Consumers who have purchased Bravo Farms cheese should discard it or return it to the place of purchase. Questions should be directed to Bravo Farms at 559-897-4634.

For more recall details, please visit
<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm234691.htm>.

For more information on recalls affecting Alaskans, visit DEC's website:
http://www.dec.state.ak.us/eh/fss/recalls/food_recalls.html.

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